

## **Walk Friendly Newtown**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, March 5, 2023, at 6:00 pm at Borough Hall and via Zoom.**

Meeting began at 6:00 pm. Don Hayden, Courtney Lang, Scott Williams, Samuel Cler, Laura Shepherd, Amy Lustig and Jean Bohr were in attendance.

- March 6 Presentation to Borough Council – Courtney and Don updated the group on the presentation of the 2024 WFN plan that will be made to Borough Council on March 6.
- Current Projects – Don updated the group on the status of the Washington/Lincoln signaling system (on track for completion by mid-year), the new speed boards on South State and East Washington (installation to begin in March/April), and the Frost Lane Sidewalk (initial planning/topography assessment to be completed by CKS in March).
- Communications Lead – WFN continues to search for a member to take the lead on Communications for the group. Members were asked to explore this with people they know who may be interested in joining WFN and taking on this role.
- Ongoing Maintenance – Scott and Don will meet to finalize the 2024 schedule regarding placement of crosswalk sentinels, ensuring sign visibility, and sidewalk/crosswalk maintenance. Post-meeting note: Borough Council has asked WFN to provide lists where sign visibility and crosswalk repair/painting needs exist by June 1.
- Events – Sam to gather event information from 2023 WFN activities, Judy Musto, Rec Board and others, and then develop a draft 2024 event plan for WFN. Plan to be reviewed and approved in May WFN meeting. Don to provide inventory of materials available for use at events to Sam.
- Enforcement – WFN strongly supports expanding number of Borough Police pedestrian safety campaigns from 2 in 2023 to 4 in 2024 (May, June, September, October). Group also encourages formation of a working group with Borough Police and others to explore opportunities to expand speed limit enforcement.
- Grants – WFN members asked to share any potential information they identify with Courtney.
- Non-profit status – Scott to explore potential non-profit status opportunities for WFN (501c3 or other) and report back to group.